

"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1056"

DOCKET NO: 0010-1045-0

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

:

YOSHIHIKO HARA, ET AL.

: EXAMINER: C.L. FRONDA

SERIAL NO: 09/419,611

.

FILED: OCTOBER 18, 1999

: GROUP ART UNIT: 1652

FOR:

L-GLUTAMIC ACID PRODUCING BACTERIUM AND PROCESS FOR

PRODUCING L-GLUTAMIC ACID

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 15, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this response.

Support for the Amendments begins on page 6 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this response.